

SOME GOOD FISH FARES IN PORT.

SCH. CARRIE C. BRINGS GOOD
GEORGES TRIP AFTER THREE
WEEKS ABSENCE.

Out only three weeks and striking good fishing, the Georges handliner Carrie C. is in this morning with a dandy fare, 25,000 pounds of salt cod and 4000 pounds of halibut. The fleet engaged in this line of fishing is not large and the goods they bring are most desirable, the large fish at present bringing \$5 per hundred weight.

Sch. Mary F. Curtis, from the eastward, has 45,000 pounds of fresh fish, which will go to market. Sch. Romance also from the eastern grounds, having been on a shack trip, has a good catch, hailing for 45,000 pounds of salt cod and 30,000 pounds of fresh fish. The former will be wanted all right and latter will go to market, being late caught.

Sch. Morning Star is here from Boston with 7000 pounds of hake for the splitters.

Yesterday the torchers had about 100 barrels and this morning about 250 barrels. About half of the catch is large, the rest being sardine size.

Two of the down east cured fish carriers are here this morning with their usual loads, sch. M. J. Sewall coming from Jonesport and sch. Annie F. Kimball from Manset.

The arrivals and receipts in detail are:

Today's Arrivals and Receipts.

Sch. Carrie C., Georges, handlining, 25,000 lbs. salt cod, 4000 lbs. halibut.
Sch. Mary F. Curtis, Western Bank, 40,000 lbs. fresh fish.
Sch. Morning Star, via Boston, 7000 lbs. fresh fish.

Sch. Romance, Western Bank, 45,000 lbs. salt cod, 30,000 lbs. fresh cod.
Sch. Eglantine, shore, 15,000 lbs. pollock.

Sch. Catherine Burke, via Portland.
Sch. Almeida, shore.
Sch. James and Esther, shore.
Sch. M. J. Sewall, Jonesport, Me., 800 qtls. cured fish.
Sch. Annie F. Kimball, Manset, Me., 800 qtls. cured fish.

Vessels Sailed.

Sch. Slade Gorton, haddocking.
Sch. Maud F. Silva, haddocking.
Sch. Rhodora, haddocking.
Sch. Belbina P. Domingoes, haddocking.
Sch. Margaret Dillon, haddocking.
Sch. Clara G. Silva, haddocking.
Sch. Thalia, haddocking.
Sch. Rita A. Viator, haddocking.
Sch. M. Madeleine, haddocking.
Sch. Harriet, haddocking.
Sch. Edith Silveira, haddocking.
Sch. Beuma, haddocking.
Sch. Nokomis, haddocking.
Sch. Motor, haddocking.
Sch. Flora J. Sears, haddocking.
Sch. Walter P. Goulart, haddocking.
Sch. Marguerite Haskins, pollock-
ing.
Sch. Pythian, pollock-
ing.
Sch. Mabel E. Bryson, pollock-
ing.
Sch. Jubilee, pollock-
ing.
Sch. Ida M. Silva, Pensacola, Florida.
Sch. Alcina, Pensacola, Florida.

Today's Fish Market.

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Bank halibut, 11 3-4 cts. per lb. for white and 10 cts. for gray, heads on.
Salt cusk, large, \$2.50 per cwt.; medium, \$2.00.
Salt haddock, \$2.00 per cwt.
Salt hake, \$2.00 per cwt.
Salt pollock, \$2.00 per cwt.
Dory handline cod, \$4.75 per cwt. for large; \$4.40 for medium and \$3.25 for snappers.
Splitting prices for fresh fish:
Eastern cod, large, \$2.50 per cwt.; medium, \$1.80; snappers, 80c.
Cusk, large, \$1.75 per cwt.; medium \$1.30; snappers, 50c.
Haddock, \$1.10 per cwt.; hake, \$1.30 per cwt.; dressed pollock, \$1.75 per cwt.; round pollock, \$1.00 per cwt.
Handline Georges cod, large \$5 per cwt.; medium, \$4.50.

HERRING FOR HALIBUT BAIT.

Almost Universally Used in Alaska
Fishing But It Is Scarce.

Herring is the bait almost universally employed in the halibut fishery of Alaska, but the supply has not kept pace with the demand. The question of a constant and abundant supply of bait is, in fact, the most serious problem confronting the halibut fishermen. At times the herring will appear in large numbers in the bays and sounds of southeast Alaska, but they are not in much demand until halibut fishing begins, about September 15. At present most of the herring for food and bait is taken between August 1 and May 1, the fish being the rest of the year in the deep waters or having their stomachs filled with a red feed which burns the mouth very shortly after death, thus seriously affecting their value and usefulness as either bait or food.

The establishment of several small freezers at places close to the halibut banks, where herring could be frozen and stored until needed in winter, when they are usually very scarce, would probably solve the problem of a constant and abundant supply of bait. Salmon backs could also be frozen and would undoubtedly make excellent bait for halibut. It is probable that the New England Fish Company will devote part of its facilities to the freezing of bait for halibut fishing, while there are several other propositions in this line under consideration at present in other towns in southeast Alaska.

During the summer of 1909 the Canadian authorities issued an order in council prohibiting American fishing vessels from buying bait in British Columbia ports. Heretofore the halibut vessels operating in Dixon Entrance and Hecate Straits had been in the habit of purchasing their bait in Nanaimo, British Columbia, while on their way north, but this order compelled them to look elsewhere, and several of them visited southeast Alaska for the purpose. It is highly probable that more of them will do so each season if they can be assured of being able to get the bait when they come.

Most Successful Catch of Years.

After an absence of two seasons in the Far North, the steam whaler Herman, Capt. Bodfish, has arrived in San Francisco. She reports one of the most successful catches of recent years. During the many months spent so remote from civilization the Herman gathered bone estimated to be worth \$130,000. The whaler was lying at Nome on the 4th of last July, and while there shipped for the eastern markets 17,500 pounds of bone. In the whaler's manifest were listed 8,508 pounds of bone worth \$42,500 and 897 fox skins, 300 pounds of fine ivory and 34 large polar bears. These huge pelts are estimated to be worth about \$10,000.

The Herman was in port at Dutch Harbor with the whaler Karluk, the vessel that has had the best luck of any whaler in many years. The Karluk left San Francisco in April, 1909, and, during its stay in the Arctic, has captured 24 large whales. The Karluk is due at San Francisco any day. She will bring home a valuable cargo.

The Herring Catch.

William Reid of Stettin, in his herring report of the 5th inst., says:

The quality of the first direct arrivals from Great Yarmouth are not very satisfactory. Transactions were at gradually increasing prices, but on the whole the business in English herrings cannot be called lively.

Holland reports a total catch of 644,251 bbls., against 617,208 in 1909 and 487,541 in 1908. Dutch curers have advanced their demands further, but nevertheless our dealers continue to make considerable purchases in Dutch herrings for forward delivery.

Germany has a total of 426,932 bbls., against 352,273 in 1909 and 284,174 in 1908. Several transactions were done in German herring at increased prices. The smaller kinds are pretty well cleared out.

Norway reports a total catch of 340,807 bbls., against 475,223 in 1909 and 363,844 in 1908. A regular business was done in Norwegian fat herrings at fully maintained prices.

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Will Be Shipped Here.

The catch of the fall fishing trip of sch. Elsie M. Walters of Lunenburg, N. S., has been purchased green by W. C. Smith & Co., limited, and will be shipped to this port and sold.

Stocked \$2240 on Haddocking Trip.

Sch. Morning Star, Capt. Freeman Decker, stocked \$2240 as the result of her recent haddocking trip, the crew sharing \$57 clear.

THIRTY-THREE FARES AT BOSTON

FISH DEALERS AT T WHARF
HAVE ALL THEY CAN
HANDLE.

With Thanksgiving but two days off and 33 fares of fish in the T wharf dealers have about all they want to handle. They are not shirking at all, however, but are taking all the fares, all of them, and at good prices too, paying \$3.50 to \$3.75 for haddock and \$4 to \$4.75 for large cod. Hake are \$1.30 to \$2.30 and pollock \$1.50.

There are only two off-shore in the whole bunch, sch. Natalie J. Nelson with 41,000 pounds and sch. Catherine and Ellen with 34,000 pounds. Five of the pollockers are in, also a half dozen of the bay netters, the rest being market boats.

A large number of the craft which arrived yesterday and today will lay in over Thanksgiving and those which will go out will all carry turkeys and fixings enough for a royal Thanksgiving feast in the forecabin.

The market boats continue to find haddock in better quantities and the hearts of the men are correspondingly glad, although it is coming near time when hake is generally a high priced fish and they would not mind a fair amount of these.

The dock is over run with bait—that is, herring, the most of which is small. Yesterday the boats landed 800 barrels and this morning they had fully 700 barrels. The big herring are sold for bait or put in the freezer, while the sardine fish are shipped east at once.

The herring seiners, which have been working off Lynn and adjacent places, yesterday morning, brought in 800 barrels of herring to T wharf, part of which was sold for bait and the rest to the sardine factories.

Fifty barrels of mackerel were received at T wharf yesterday morning, from traps at Provincetown and North Truro, and five barrels came by the Yarmouth steamer for Boston dealers. The fares and prices in detail are:

Boston Arrivals.

Sch. Leo, 7000 haddock, 500 cod, 2000 hake.
Sch. Nokomis, 4000 haddock, 1000 cod, 5000 hake.
Sch. Manomet, 6000 haddock, 2000 cod, 2000 hake.
Sch. Alice, 5000 haddock, 1000 cod, 3000 hake.
Sch. Metamora, 8000 haddock, 2000 cod, 8000 hake.
Sch. Gladys and Nellie.
Sch. Catherine and Ellen, 14,000 haddock, 4000 cod, 12,000 hake.
Sch. Rhodora, 6500 haddock, 2000 cod, 2000 hake.
Sch. Harriet, 3000 haddock, 1000 cod, 6000 hake.
Sch. Frances P. Mesquita, 5500 haddock, 900 cod, 5000 hake.
Sch. Sadie M. Numan, 5500 haddock, 5500 cod, 2500 hake 2500 cusk.
Sch. Mary B. Greer, 5000 haddock, 1300 cod, 1500 hake, 2000 pollock.
Sch. Edith Silveria, 7000 haddock, 1000 cod, 500 hake.
Sch. Maud F. Silva, 3500 haddock, 1500 cod, 1000 hake.
Sch. A. C. Newhall, 3000 haddock, 1000 cod, 2500 hake.
Sch. Elva L. Spurling, 7000 haddock, 300 cod, 4000 hake.
Sch. Hortense, 2000 haddock, 500 cod, 3000 hake.
Sch. Rita A. Viator, 2000 haddock, 800 cod, 600 cusk.
Sch. Evelyn L. Thompson, 3000 haddock, 5000 cod, 15,000 hake.
Sch. Clara G. Silva, 8000 haddock, 900 cod, 500 hake.
Sch. W. H. Reed, 3000 cod.
Sch. Hobo, 3500 cod.
Sch. Wodan, 1000 cod.
Sch. Marguerite McKenzie, 4000 cod.
Sch. W. H. Clement, 1500 cod.
Sch. Sarah, 2700 cod.
Sch. Appomattox, 20,000 pollock.
Sch. Olympia, 4000 pollock.
Sch. Eva Avina, 7000 pollock.
Sch. Esther Gray, 7000 pollock.
Sch. Diana, 6000 pollock.
Sch. Natalie J. Nelson, 4000 haddock, 12,000 cod, 13,000 hake, 12,000 cusk.
Sch. Motor, 3000 haddock, 1000 cod, 6000 hake.
Haddock, \$3.50 to \$3.75 per cwt.; large cod, \$4 to \$4.75; markets, \$3 to \$3.50; hake, \$1.30 to \$2.30; cusk, \$1.50; pollock, \$1.50.

SCH. TATTLER HAS GOOD FARE.

ONLY FOUR MORE OF THE LONG
TRIP SALT BANK FLEET NOW
TO ARRIVE.

The long trip salt fishermen to arrive are growing less every day. Yesterday afternoon sch. Tattler arrived from the Virgin Rocks, with a good fare, 215,000 pounds of salt cod thus leaving only schs. Gossip, Aloha, Muriel and Olga yet to come. Some of these will hang on until the last of the month at least before leaving the ground.

Sch. Teazer is here from Boston, where she landed her fresh halibut trip, with 10,000 pounds of salt cod.

There was a lot of herring last night, in fact a big lot.

This morning the bait wharves were full and still lots of the boats had their loads still in. At least calculation there were 500 barrels and over half of it will go small and be shipped off to Eastport.

Several of the market fleet and big off-shore vessels are down from Boston and will lay off until the latter part of the week as their captains and crews will spend Thanksgiving with their families ashore here.

The arrivals and receipts in detail are:

Today's Arrivals and Receipts.

Sch. Tattler, Virgin Rocks, dory handling 215,000 lbs. salt cod.

Sch. Teazer, via Boston, 10,000 lbs. salt cod.

Sch. Stiletto, via Boston.

Sch. Belbina P. Domingoes, shore.

Sch. Aspinet, shore.

Sch. Mary E. Cooney, via Boston.

Sch. Emily Cooney, shore.

Sch. Thomas S. Gorton, via Boston.

Sch. Hope, shore.

Sch. Matiana, shore.

Sch. Marguerite Haskins, shore.

Sch. Flora J. Sears, shore.

Sch. Valentinna, shore.

Sch. Mary DeCosta, shore.

Sch. Hattie F. Knowlton, shore.

Sch. Paragon, LaHave Bank, 2000 lbs. halibut, 5000 lbs. fresh fish, 6000 lbs. salt fish.

Vessels Sailed.

Sch. James and Esther, pollocking.

Sch. Grace Otis, shore.

Sch. Eglantine, shore.

Sch. Patriot, shore.

Sch. Almeida, shore.

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Salt haddock, \$2.00 per cwt.

Salt hake, \$2.00 per cwt.

Salt pollock, \$2.00 per cwt.

Dory handline cod, \$4.75 per cwt. for large; \$4.40 for mediums and \$3.25 for snappers.

Splitting prices for fresh fish:

Eastern cod, large, \$2.50 per cwt.; medium, \$1.80; snappers, 80c.

Cusk, large, \$1.75 per cwt.; medium \$1.30; snappers, 50c.

Haddock, \$1.10 per cwt.; hake, \$1.30 per cwt.; dressed pollock, \$1.15 per cwt.; round pollock, \$1.00 per cwt.

Handline Georges cod, large \$5 per cwt.; medium, \$4.50.

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Raise in Salt Bank Cod.

The fare of salt bank cod of sch. Romance sold to George Perkins & Son at \$4.75 for large and \$4.37 1-2 for mediums. This is a raise of 25 cents on the large and 22 1-2 cents on the mediums, and brings the prices of these trawl fish up to equal dory handline on the large and only 2 1-2 cents below on the mediums.

Lubec Herring Output.

Reports from Lubec, Maine, say that the output of boxed and boneless herring this year will be the smallest on record, the supply of fish for smoking purposes having almost completely failed.

Stocked \$23,000 in Seven Months.

The sch. Josephine DeCosta launched about seven months ago, will be laid off for two months now. In the seven months she has been fishing the schooner has stocked in round numbers \$23,000.

French Trawler in Trouble.

The French trawler Baleine, which was libelled at North Sydney, C. B., Wednesday evening at the instance of a couple of the tow boat owners to satisfy claims for towing the vessel off Petrie's ledges two weeks ago, is in more trouble. This time the customs authorities have come down on the trawler for an alleged infraction of the customs laws. The offence against the customs regulations, so far as can be learned, is said to have been committed by a member of the crew, who disposed of some liquor from the vessel to persons on shore. The Baleine has been moored at Dominion wharf since coming off the rocks at Low Point and it now looks as if she will remain there for some time to come.

Portland Fish News.

Five Cape Porpoise fishing schooners, including four of the Nunan fleet, were at the wharves here on Saturday purchasing bait. They all had small fares, but did not sell here, as they will make one more set and then proceed to Boston.

The Saturday and Sunday arrivals were: Schs. Katie L. Palmer, with 7000 pounds fish; Eva and Mildred, 4000; Albert D. Willard, 7000; George H. Lube, 5000; Edmund F. Black, 5000; Lochinvar, 6000; Bernie and Bessie, 4000; Watauga, 4000; sloop Minerva, 2000. Sch. Catherine Burke, Georges banks, with 22,000 pounds halibut and 10,000 pounds salt cod. Schs. Mildred V. Nunan, Sylvia M. Nunan, Sadie M. Nunan and Olive F. Hutchins, fishing, put in for bait.

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Nova Scotia Fish Quotations.

Nova Scotia quotations for dry cod have hardened somewhat during the week, in the face of slender holdings by the trade.

The figures offered by Gloucester and Boston dealers affect the situation to a considerable extent in this market, says the Fishing Gazette, reducing the margin on shipments abroad to the vanishing point. The opinion prevails in many quarters that if the present extreme rates are maintained, consumption is almost certain to be lessened. Similar conditions exist with regard to transactions in herring and mackerel. Fishermen generally have no cause to complain of prices this season, although changing methods and reduced takings of several of the staples may account for the firmer feeling on the part of sellers.

Trade Opportunity.

An American consular officer in Italy reports that a company in his district wishes to represent in that district American manufacturers of fish oil, greases and soap-making materials. The firm advises the consular officer that it has had several requests for fish oil recently, but has not been able to secure offers from American manufacturers. References can be furnished. Correspondence may be in French or Italian, and, if necessary, in English. In writing to the Bureau of Manufactures, Washington, for further information, refer to file number 5741.

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FROM THE HERRING FLEET.

Fish Reported Plentiful at Many Newfoundland Ports.

The following vessels were at Bay of Islands last Wednesday, waiting for herring cargoes: Fanny A. Smith, Essex, Corsair, Independence, Ellen G. Wells, Mystery, S. P. Willard, Lottie G. Merchant, Indiana, Alert, Oregon. Herring were numerous in the Arms.

Newfoundland herring reports for last week are as follows:

St. Jacques—Herring of the largest size reported plentiful from all over the bay at Bay de East, near Little Bay.

Long Harbor—Good fishing being had in nets; one local banker has been chartered by American company to load salt herring.

Nipper's Harbor—Moderate south wind; nets from one-quarter to two barrels herring.

Bonne Bay—Herring still plentiful here.

Lark Harbor wind south; not many herring.

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Portland Fish Notes.

But few ground fish were taken out Monday. The two trips that came in were the Bernie and Bessie, with 3000 and the Angle B. Watson with 4000.

LARGE FLEET AT T WHARF.

LATE ARRIVALS HAD GREAT DIFFICULTY IN GETTING DOCK BERTHS.

T wharf is completely hemmed in with vessels this morning. None went out yesterday, except the few that sailed for Gloucester and Provincetown, so the 28 which have arrived since last report had anything but an easy time getting dock berths. Market boats and pollockers were in the great majority, some of them having nice catches. There are five of the off-shore fleet in, including the steam trawler Foam, which hails for 27,000 pounds of fish. Since the winter season came on the catches of the steam trawlers have fallen off amazingly from what they were doing in the summer and early fall.

Sch. Conqueror, Capt. Robinson Giffin, has the banner fare, 73,000 pounds of fish, about half of which are haddock. Schs. Terra Nova, Virginia and Lizzie M. Stanley are the other off shores in, each having a fair trip.

With a big fleet lying in at the dock, as well as Gloucester and Provincetown arrivals on Friday and Saturday, are expected to be light, but the dealers will have some nice stock on hand.

Haddock and large cod brought \$3 to \$3.50, hake \$1.30 to \$2.50 and pollock \$1.45 and \$1.50.

The fares and prices in detail are:

Boston Arrivals.

Sch. Pontiac, 3000 haddock, 2000 cod, 1000 hake.

Sch. Sylva M. Nunan, 4000 haddock, 1000 cod, 8000 hake.

Sch. Annie and Jennie, 1000 haddock, 2000 cod, 4000 hake.

Sch. Lizzie M. Stanley, 16,000 haddock, 8000 cod, 15,000 hake.

Sch. Catherine D. Enos, 1000 haddock, 4500 cod, 2000 hake.

Sch. Gladys and Nellie, 3000 haddock, 2200 cod, 5000 hake.

Sch. Dixie, 1000 haddock, 700 cod, 3000 hake.

Sch. Virginia, 3500 haddock, 8000 cod, 20,000 hake.

Sch. Terra Nova, 17,000 haddock, 3000 cod, 19,000 hake.

Sch. Conqueror, 35,000 haddock, 14,000 cod, 10,000 hake, 14,000 cusk.

Steamer Foam, 24,000 haddock, 2000 cod, 1000 hake.

Sch. Ida S. Brooks, 7000 haddock, 1800 cod, 5000 hake.

Sch. Buema, 3000 haddock, 3000 cod, 5000 hake.

Sch. Rose Standish, 3000 haddock, 700 cod, 2000 hake.

Sch. Walter P. Goulart, 12,500 haddock, 1100 cod, 8000 hake.

Sch. Reliance, 3000 cod.

Sch. Marguerite, 2500 cod.

Sch. Warren M. Goodspeed, 2000 haddock, 5000 hake.

Sch. Emerald, 10,000 pollock.

Sch. Ralph Russell, 5000 pollock.

Sch. Winifred, 8000 pollock.

Sch. Good Luck, 7000 pollock.

Sch. Tecumseh, 3000 pollock.

Sch. Mattakeset, 4000 haddock, 1500 cod, 9000 hake.

Sch. Jessie Costa, 7000 haddock, 5000 cod, 10,000 hake.

Sch. Mary Enos, 1500 haddock, 1000 cod, 7000 hake.

Haddock, \$3 to \$3.50; large cod, \$3 to \$3.50; market cod, \$2.50; hake, \$1.30 to \$2.50; pollock, \$1.45 to \$1.50.

Foreign Mackerel.

The most reliable figures indicate that so far, 23,000 barrels of Irish mackerel have arrived in this country, and there are still about 19,000 barrels to come forward.

The total mackerel catch in Norway will be about 77,000 barrels, of which 43,000 have already been shipped to America.

The fact that Norway mackerel have sold at lower figures than in previous years has meant that Irish have been neglected to a considerable extent, and stocks of the latter in first hands are quite liberal.

Efforts are reported being made to stiffen the price of Norways. Some recent arrivals have been placed in storage.

The majority of the dealers are said to have a sufficient supply of mackerel to carry them until January 1.

S. H. Levin's Sons of Philadelphia, the largest handlers of salt mackerel in the United States, are sustaining their reputation for doing things on a big scale. Of the 1910 pack of Norway mackerel, it is estimated that the firm will move between 35,000 and 40,000 barrels.